

POLICY FLASH 2008-13

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January 4, 2008

TO:

Procurement Directors

FROM:

Office of Procurement and Assistance Policy, MA-61

Office of Procurement and Assistance Management

SUBJECT:

DOE Inspector General (IG) Hotline Poster

SUMMARY: Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-22 included a new clause, FAR 52.203-14, entitled Display of Hotline Posters. The clause includes a "fill in" space at paragraph (b)(3). The IG requests that the following information be inserted into the clause.

DOE IG Hotline Poster

http://ig.energy.gov/hotline.htm

This Flash and its attachment will be available online within a day, at the following website: http://www.management.energy.gov/policy guidance/policy flashes.htm.

Questions concerning this policy flash should be directed to Richard Langston at (202) 287-1339 or richard.langston@hq.doe.gov.

> Michael P. Fischetti, Director Office of Procurement and

Assistance Policy

Attachment

52.203-14 Display of Hotline Poster(s).

As prescribed in 3.1004(b), insert the following clause:

DISPLAY OF HOTLINE POSTER(S) (DEC 2007)

(a) Definition.

"United States," as used in this clause, means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.

- (b) Display of fraud hotline poster(s). Except as provided in paragraph (c)—
- (1) During contract performance in the United States, the Contractor shall prominently display in common work areas within business segments performing work under this contract and at contract work sites—
- (i) Any agency fraud hotline poster or Department of Homeland Security (DHS) fraud hotline poster identified in paragraph (b)(3) of this clause; and
 - (ii) Any DHS fraud hotline poster subsequently identified by the Contracting Officer.
- (2) Additionally, if the Contractor maintains a company website as a method of providing information to employees, the Contractor shall display an electronic version of the poster(s) at the website.
 - (3) Any required posters may be obtained as follows:

Poster(s)

Obtain from

DOE Hotline Poster

http://ig.energy.gov/hotline.htm

(Contracting Officer shall insert—

- (i) Appropriate agency name(s) and/or title of applicable Department of Homeland Security fraud hotline poster); and
 - (ii) The website(s) or other contact information for obtaining the poster(s).)
- (c) If the Contractor has implemented a business ethics and conduct awareness program, including a reporting mechanism, such as a hotline poster, then the Contractor need not display any agency fraud hotline posters as required in paragraph (b) of this clause, other than any required DHS posters.
- (d) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in all subcontracts that exceed \$5,000,000, except when the subcontract—
 - (1) Is for the acquisition of a commercial item; or
 - (2) Is performed entirely outside the United States.

(End of clause)